Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Bicycling – Fishing – Hiking – Hunting – Wildlife Viewing

Conservation Areas are closed from 10:00 pm to 4:00 am except for authorized camping, fishing and hunting activities.

- No littering.
- No fireworks.
- No open fires.
- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting.
- Destroying, cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal consumption only.
- Motor vehicles are restricted to roadways and parking areas.
- Bicycles, horses and horseback riding are permitted only on trails designated for their use and on roads and trails open to vehicular traffic, unless otherwise posted.
- Camping is allowed in designated areas. Camping is designated primitive. Stays are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Only two camping or sleeping units are permitted at each site on areas with established campsites. Groups of 10 campers or more must obtain a special-use permit.
- Swimming, scuba diving, water skiing, sailboarding, skateboarding, caving and rappelling are not allowed.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

- On streams, fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. Other restrictions may apply to specific ponds, lakes and stream segments.
- Fish may be taken only by pole and line and not more than three poles and lines may be used by any one person.
- On impounded waters, daily limits are six black bass and four catfish in the aggregate (channel, blue and flathead) and 30 crappie. All other fish, statewide limits, but may not exceed a combined total of 20.
- All black bass less than 12 and 15 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.
- Bullfrogs and green frogs may be taken during the statewide season only by hand, handnet, atlatl, gig, bow, snagging, snaring, grabbing, pole and line, a twenty-two (.22) caliber or smaller rimfire rifle or

pistol, pellet gun, or crossbow, only on waters and within dates and hours those waters are open to fishing or hunting.

- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited on all lakes and ponds.
- Salvage seining of other fish as designated in 3 CSR 10-6.550 may be permitted seasonally for personal use with a special use permit
- Boats may be used for fishing and wildlife-related activities only and may not be stored or left unattended overnight.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations, The following special regulations also apply.

- Archery and firearms deer hunting is permitted for antlered or anterless deer on the following permits only: Archer's Hunting Permit and Firearms Any-Deer Hunting Permit. No archery anterless or firearm anterless permits may be used. All other statewide deer seasons and limits apply.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.
- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only from Sept. 1 through Jan. 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address, or Conservation Number, of the owner and be removed from the area before Feb. 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Trapping of furbearers is permitted only as specifically authorized by special use permit.

For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation 701 James McCarthy Drive St. Joseph, MO 64507 816/271-3100

Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.

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Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/sr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, colon, national origin, sex. age or disability, Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (wice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stogy MBSP 4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

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